Detailed Organization American Tank Destroyer Battalion Headquarters & Headquarters Company TO&E 18-26 1 March 1944

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Battalion Headquarters
      1 Lt. Colonel (Bn cmdr) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Major (executive) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Major (operations & training) (S-3) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Captain (Intelligence) (S-2) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Captain (Supply) (S-4) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 1st Lieutenant (personnel) (S-1) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
Company Headquarters
      Headquarters Section
            1 Captain (coy cmdr) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            1 1st Lieutenant (executive) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            1 Staff Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
            16 Privates
                  1 Bugler (1 .30 cal M1 carbine & 1 1/4-ton truck)
                  3 Cooks (3 .30 cal carbines)
                  1 Light Truck Driver (1 .30 cal M1 carbine &
                        1 3/4-ton weapons carrier with 1 .30 cal HMG)
                  1 Orderly (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  9 Basics (9 .30 cal carbines)
            Unassigned equipment
                  1 2.36" M1 rocket launcher
      Motor Maintenance Section
            1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
            4 Privates
                  1 Bugler (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  3 (3 .30 cal M1 rifles, 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier
                        with 1 .30 cal HMG, & 1 1/4-ton trailer)
Communication Platoon
      1 1st Lieutenant (communication) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Technical Sergeant (communication chief)
            (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Staff Sergeant (radio) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Sergeant (message center chief) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Corporal (panel & code) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
      7 Privates
            1 General Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
            2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .30 cal M1 rifles &
                  2 3/4-ton weapons carriers)
            3 Messengers (3 .30 cal M1 carbines & 1 4-ton
                  trucks)
            1 Radio Repairman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
            Unassigned equipment
                  2 2.36" M1 rocket launchers
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Staff Platoon: Administrative Section 1 Warrant Officer 1 Master Sergeant 1 Technical Serge 1 Private (classi

- 1 Warrant Officer (personnel) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Master Sergeant (Sqt Major) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (personnel) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Private (classification specialist) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
- 1 Private (light truck driver) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle,
 - 1 21/2-ton administration truck & 1 1-ton trailer)

Intelligence & Operations Section

- 2 1st Lieutenants (liaison) (2 .45 cal M1911 pistols)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (intelligence) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (operations) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 12 Privates
 - 1 General Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine & 1 1/4-ton truck)
 - 3 Armored Car Drivers (3 .30 cal M1 carbines,
 - 3 armored utility cars & 3 .50 cal HB HMGs)
 - 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .30 cal carbines & 2 1/4-ton trucks & 1 with .30 cal HMG)
 - 1 Machine Gunner (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 4 Radio Operators (4 .30 cal carbines)
 - 1 Stenographer (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)

Unassigned equipment

4 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Supply Section

- 1 Technical Sergeant (supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (asst supply) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (ammunition) (1.45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 6 Privates
 - 1 Gas & Oil Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - 1 Supply Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
 - 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .30 cal M1 rifles
 - 1 1½-ton cargo truck, 1 3/4-ton weapons carrier, & 1 1-ton trailer)
 - 2 Radio Operators (2 .30 cal carbines)

Maintenance Platoon

- 1 Captain (automotive maintenance & repair)
 - (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Warrant Officer (asst. automotive maintenance & repair)
 - (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Master Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (chief mechanic) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 19 Privates
 - 1 Automotive Parts Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
 - 1 Light Truck Driver (1 .30 cal M1 rifle, 1
 - 3/4-ton weapons carrier with 1 .50 cal HMG)
 - 6 Automotive Mechanics (6 .30 cal M1 rifles &
 - 2 2½-ton maintenance trucks)
 - 10 Tank Mechanics (10 .30 cal M1 rifles, 1 2½-ton maintenance truck, 1 heavy wrecker truck)
 - 1 Welder (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
 - Unassigned equipment
 - 3 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Transportation Platoon

- 1 2nd Lieutenant (motor transport) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
- 1 Sergeant (truckmaster) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol &
 - 1 4-ton truck)
- 1 Corporal (motor vehicle dispatcher) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine & 1 1/4-ton truck)
- 23 Privates
 - 7 Ammunition Handlers (7 .30 cal M1 rifles)
 - 16 Light Truck Drivers (16 .30 cal M1 rifles,
 - 6 2½-ton ammunition trucks 1 with .50 cal HMG,
 - 3 21/2-ton gasoline & oil trucks 1 with .50 cal HMG,
 - 5 21/2-ton kitchen trucks 1 with .50 cal HMG,
 - & 14 1-ton trailers)

Unassigned equipment

4 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Total Equipment:

3 armored utility cars with armament, 28 .30 cal M1 carbines, 3 .30 cal heavy flexible HMGs, 7 .50 cal HB HMGs, 14 2.36" M1 rocket launchers, 29 .45 cal M1911 pistol, 67 .30 cal M1 rifles, 1 1/4-ton trailer, 18 1-ton trailers, 8 1/4-ton trucks, 6 3/4-ton weapons carrier, 1 11/4-ton cargo truck, 18 21/4-ton cargo trucks, & 1 heavy wrecker truck.

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